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"I beg further to express my profound personal regret that I should have been, without intentional error, the cause of your own personal vexation and delay. The things which would have occurred which may have seemed to be though not so in fact, a want of respect for the rights of a representative of the government of His Britannic Majesty would have been a serious error. This is an elaboration of the facts in the case briefly set forth in the letter of Governor Bates, to the State Department. The statements made by Mr. Guernsey before the court, just after he appeared before the court, rather as to appear to him to be a manifest and intentional defiance of judicial authority and to be, as he believed and found, in contempt of court. He proceeded, in defiance of the provisions of the International law and of the provisions of the Federal statutes the question never before having come before the court, nor was it so presented to him as to advise him of his error in so doing. The court of the United States Justice Fields declares, was inspired wholly and absolutely by a purpose to enforce the law and for the protection of human life endangered by the conduct of Mr. Guernsey as was shown by the evidence presented to him.



(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
BILLY THORNTON, N. C., Sept. 23.—The following courteous remarks were made by President Hooten's secretary and the North Carolina State Republican Chairman Rollins, of Asheville, N. C., and the quotation are self-explanatory:
 "Asheville, N. C., Sept. 23, 1904.
 Hon. William Loeb, Secretary to the President, Washington, D. C.;
 Hon. R. B. Glenn, the Democratic candidate for Governor, and his speech
 "The President said the

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NEW YORK, September 29.—At the meetings of the stockholders of the American Tobacco Company and Continental Tobacco Company to be held tomorrow, a large number of shares of all the companies will be voted for the merger plan.

The success of the merger is thus assured unless litigation should arise to prevent the speedy carrying out of the consolidation of the projected lines.

It is understood that the dividends on American Tobacco common stock, new due, will be provided for in exchange for the new securities.

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Committee Organizes.

The Committee on Local Assessment organized last night, but beyond this disposed of no important business. Alderman Robert G. Rennolds was made chairman, and Councilman Cliff Wells sub-chairman.

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